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Amended February Monthly Report (1/1/01-1/31/01), dated 6/11/01, Amended March Monthly Report (2/1/01-2/28/01), dated 6/11/01, Amended April Monthly Report (3/1/01-3/31/01), dated 6/11/01, Amended May Monthly Report (4/1/01-4/30/01), dated 6/11/01 and June Monthly Report (5/1/01-5/31/01)

Dear Ms. Beatty:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))